CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

REQUEST FOR BID

THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE, PURCHASING OFFICE IS REQUESTING OFFERS FOR THE FOLLOWING GOODS OR SERVICES.

REQUEST NUMBER: RFB2007-176-SB

TITLE: WILDLIFE ASSESSMENT, REMOVAL AND RELOCATION

OPENING DATE: **JUNE 13, 2007** (1:30 PM)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUZANNE BOEHLAND, SENIOR BUYER (505) 768-3397 CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE PURCHASING OFFICE ALBUQUERQUE/BERNALILLO COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER POST OFFICE BOX 1293 ONE CIVIC PLAZA ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87103

THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE WILL RECEIVE SEALED OFFERS FOR THE GOODS OR SERVICES DESCRIBED IN THIS REQUEST AT:

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE POST OFFICE BOX 1293 ONE CIVIC PLAZA ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87103

HAND CARRIED OFFERS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, ALBUQUERQUE/BERNALILLO COUNTY GOVERNMENT BUILDING, 11^{TH} FLOOR, 1 CIVIC PLAZA, ALBUQUERQUE, NM.

OFFERS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL 1:30 PM JUNE 13, 2007

NOTE: USE OF THE MAIL SERVICE IS AT YOUR OWN RISK FOR PROPER DELIVERY.

OFFERS WILL BE OPENED PROMPTLY AT **1:30 PM** AT:
ALBUQUERQUE/BERNALILLO COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
7TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
ONE CIVIC PLAZA
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

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ALL OFFERORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR READING AND UNDERSTANDING ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS REQUEST. OFFERORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHECKING TO ASSURE THAT NO PAGES ARE MISSING. PLEASE CHECK THIS PACKAGE UPON RECEIPT. IF ANY PAGES ARE MISSING PLEASE CONTACT THE BUYER NAMED ON THE COVER PAGE.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND FORMS ARE REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS REQUEST.

OFFEROR COMPLIANCE FORM
COMPLETE ALL APPLICABLE INFORMATION, INCLUDING YOUR FEDERAL TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, AND RETURN IT WITH YOUR OFFER.

PRICING DETAIL FORM(S)
COMPLETE ALL PRICING DETAIL, INCLUDING UNIT AND EXTENDED PRICES (THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT).

LOCAL PREFERENCE CERTIFICATION FORM
IF APPLICABLE, COMPLETE SIGN AND RETURN WITH YOUR OFFER. THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR OFFER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE PREFERENCE.

OFFEROR COMMENTS FORM
IF APPLICABLE, COMPLETE, SIGN AND RETURN WITH YOUR OFFER.

VENDOR NAME:		

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I, UNDERSTAND, HAVE READ AND EXAMINED THE GENERAL TERMS, CONDITIONS, ANY SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND THE SPECIFICATIONS OF THIS REQUEST AND AGREE TO COMPLY WITH ALL OF THEM.							
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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ENCLOSED SPECIFICATIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS, FURNISH THE CITY WITH THE FOLLOWING:

ITEM NO.	<u>ITEM</u>	Select the item(s) which the bidder is submitting documentation for
1	Wildlife Assessment, Removal & Relocation, excluding Sunport's Airport Operations Area	
2	Wildlife Assessment, Removal & Relocation for Sunport's Airport Operations Area	
	ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ADDRESSED IN WRITING (E-MAIL OR FAX) TO:	
	SUZANNE BOEHLAND, SENIOR BUYER E-MAIL: SBOEHLAND@CABQ.GOV FAX: (505) 768-3355	
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VENDOR NAME:

- 1. The City of Albuquerque is soliciting bids from qualified individuals or firms to provide assessment of wildlife population and humanely remove and relocate wildlife from selected City properties.
- 2. The City may recommend for award multiple bidders that meet the qualifications. If multiple contractors are awarded, Departments will then be required for each project to obtain at least three quotes from the pool of awarded contractors.
- Awarded contractors must respond to the Department within 1 business day of the request for quote, and must provide a quote within 5 business days of the request.
 - 3.1. Departments do not have to consider quotes that are received after the specified deadline.
 - 3.2. In an emergency situation a Department may require a shorter response period.
- 4. Projects may include but not be limited to:
 - 4.1. Written estimate of types and quantity of wildlife living in selected sites and how that estimate was determined.
 - 4.2. Written detailed methodology of capture techniques that will be used on the selected sites.
 - 4.3. Coordination with the City to prioritize selected removal sites. Final priority determination is at the discretion of the City.
 - 4.4. Provide to the department a schedule containing the dates, times, and duration Contractor will actively work in assigned areas.
 - 4.5. Provide reports and/or other documentation as requested by the department pertaining to the assessment and removal of wildlife

5. Removing & Relocating Wildlife

- 5.1. The awarded Contractor shall provide all supervision and labor for the capture, relocation, release and monitoring of wildlife for the duration of the contract.
- 5.2. The awarded Contractor shall provide all the required equipment, personnel and supplies necessary to complete the capture and relocation within a time period specified by the City.
- 5.3. The awarded Contractor shall provide necessary food and water for captured and relocated wildlife.
- 5.4. Seven (7) days prior to removal, the awarded Contractor must treat any appropriate wildlife (i.e. prairie dogs) burrowing holes for fleas. Treated holes must be flagged.
- 5.5. City personnel may accompany the awarded Contractor during the entire or a portion of the project to ensure quality of services.
- 5.6. The awarded Contractor's equipment must be operational and personnel fully staffed on the days of capture.
- 5.7. Back-fill wildlife holes with surrounding soil, if requested by the Department.

6. Qualifications

- Bidders must provide with their bids the following information:
- 6.1. Provide documentation that the animal handlers are vaccinated, trained, and qualified to perform the contracted services.
- 6.2. Provide applicable permits for capture and relocation. Copies of permits must remain on site during the capture of wildlife and will accompany the wildlife to release sites.
- 6.3. Provide a list of vehicles, equipment and other resources that the bidder has available to use during a project.
- 6.4. Release site locations (public or private), and must include a signed approval from release site owner granting the vendor permission to relocate wildlife at identified release site(s).
 - 6.4.1. Approval letter must include type of wildlife allowed to be released on the site and/or if there are any restrictions to the type and/or quantity of wildlife that the vendor may relocate onto the site.
 - 6.4.2. Approval letter must not be dated before April 1, 2007.
- 6.5. Listing of methods to be used to humanely remove and relocate wildlife.
- 6.6. Insurance certificate(s) and/or insurance binder(s).

- 7. Within ten (10) business days of notice of the recommendation of award (ROA), a vendor which has been recommended for award must provide:
 - 7.1. The proper and required permits from the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health & Human Services, as required by the interim final rule entitled "Control of Communicable Disease: restrictions on African Rodents, Prairie Dogs and Certain Other Animals" (68 Fed. Reg. 62353, November 4, 2003).
- 8. Methods of Capture and Relocation
 - 8.1. The following methods have been identified by the City as humane capture methods.
 - 8.1.1. Trapping
 - 8.1.1.1. Open traps shall be checked every two (2) hours.
 - 8.1.2. Flushing
 - 8.1.2.1. A bidder may submit alternative methods of capture with its bid, but must provide documentation as to why the alternative method should be considered humane. It is the discretion of the City to approve or not approve alternative methods.
 - 8.1.2.2. Aviation
 - 8.1.2.2.1. Flushing method is not allowed in the Sunport Airport Operations Area due to the difficulty of transporting large amounts of water onto the Aircraft Operations Area.
 - 8.1.2.2.2. The flushing method would only be allowed outside of the Sunport Airport Operations Area where the hole has been positively identified as a prairie dog hole.
 - 8.2. The following methods have been identified by the City as unacceptable methods of capture and shall not be used by the awarded Contractor.
 - 8.2.1. Vacuuming
 - 8.2.2. The City may determine during the evaluation of bids or later in the future if other specific methods of capture are to be considered unacceptable methods.
 - 8.3. When a department requests quotes on a project Contractors must provide with each quote the method(s) of capture that will be used during the project. An awarded Contractor cannot change method of capture during the project without written approval from the originating Department.
- 9. Aviation Department Support's Airport Operations Area Requirements
 - 9.1. A Contractor must meet Aviation Department requirements before a project is awarded.
 - 9.2. In addition to the insurance requirements stated on Page 9, the Aviation Department requires \$5,000,000 Auto Liability insurance for projects in the Sunport's airport operations area (locations inside the perimeter fence). A bidder interested in providing quotes for projects in the Sunport's airport operations area shall include with its bid, insurance certificate(s) or insurance binder(s) per terms stated on Page 9.
 - 9.3. Prior to work, all contract employees working at the Albuquerque International Sunport are required to meet the airport's security requirements mandated by the Transportation Security Administration (49 CFR Part 1542-209) in order to obtain unescorted access (badging). This includes access to the Airport Operations Area (runways and taxiways) and the Security Identification Display Area. Each applicant must successfully pass a 10-year Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint-based Criminal History Records Check (CHRC), attend a Ramp Driving and/or Security class, and the company provide a written certification of the individual's identity and employment eligibility. Cost for the CHRC and badge is \$294.00 per individual badge of which \$250.00 is refundable, if the badge is returned at the end of the project.
 - 9.4. The awarded Contractor will need to attend a mandatory ramp driving class if working in the Sunport's airport operations
 - 9.5. When working within the Airport Operations Areas, the awarded Contractor will be escorted at all times by Aviation Department personnel.
 - 9.6. The awarded Contractor acknowledges due to atmospheric conditions and FAA/Sunport safety requirements, the Contractor may have to vacate an assigned area in short notice.

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10. Non-Conformance

- 11. If it is discovered by the City that a contractor is not conforming to the contract, than the award of the contract may be overturned by the Purchasing Officer.
- 12. If it is discovered by the City that a Contractor is using unapproved capture methods than the award of the contract may be overturned by the Purchasing Officer.
- 13. If it is discovered that a Contractor is using relocation and/or wildlife handling methods which is not humane, than the awarded of the contract may be overturned by the Purchasing Officer.

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- 1. Supplemental Terms & Conditions: These supplemental terms and conditions are in addition to the general instructions, terms and conditions and, in the event there is a conflict between the provisions of the general instructions, terms and conditions and these supplemental terms and conditions, the provisions of these supplemental terms and conditions shall control.
- 2. Award of Contract Multiple Awards: The City reserves the right to make multiple awards as a result of this request if doing so may be advantageous to the City.
- 3. Contract Period 12 Months: A contract resulting from this request will be effective for twelve (12) months from the date of issue of the purchase order unless otherwise specified in this request.
- 4. Design Conformance OSHA: The design of all equipment purchased as a result of an offer made in response to the request shall be in conformance with all applicable regulations of the Federal Occupational Safety & Health Act which are in effect at the time of delivery.
- 5. Extension of Contract Period: Any contract resulting from this request may be extended for three (3) additional twelve (12) month periods or any part of a twelve month period by mutual agreement between the contractor(s) and the City.
- 6. Graffiti Free Requirement: The awarded vendor will be required to furnish equipment, facilities or other items as may be required to complete the specified services in this request for bids which are "Graffiti Free". Failure of the awarded vendor to comply with this requirement may result in a cancellation of any contract issued as a result of this request for bids.
- 7. Laws & Regulations: The Offeror shall give all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that apply to this work. The Offeror shall obtain and pay for all permits and licenses necessary to execute and complete the work. All required licenses must be in force at the time of submission of an offer and remain in force during the entire period of any contract resulting from this request. Failure to provide proof of required licenses in force will result in the offer being judged non-responsive.
- 8. Other Public Governmental Agencies (hereinafter, OPGA) may purchase from any Request for Bid (RFB) issued by the City unless otherwise stated. It shall further be understood that when the terms "City of Albuquerque" or "the City" are used, that OPGA also applies, unless otherwise stated. It shall be the responsibility of the vendor to verify whether the purchasing entity is legitimate.
- 9. Risks: All risks of deterioration, destruction, and loss of materials and equipment stored at the site of the work shall be borne by the Offeror.
- 10. Working Conditions: The City is not responsible for obstacles, unfavorable conditions, or hazards, which may be encountered by the Offeror, both above and below ground. These conditions are part of the risk and responsibility of the Offeror.

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Insurance

The Contractor shall procure and maintain at its expense until final payment by the City for services covered by this agreement, insurance in the kinds and amounts hereinafter provided with insurance companies authorized to do business in New Mexico, covering all operations under this agreement, whether performed by it or its agents. Before commencing the services and on the renewal of all coverages, the Contractor shall furnish to the City a certificate or certificates in form satisfactory to the City showing that it has complied with this section. All Certificates of Insurances shall provide that thirty (30) days written notice by given to the Risk Manager, Department of Finance & Administration Services, City of Albuquerque, P.O. Box 470, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103, before a policy is cancelled, materially changed, or not renewed. Various types of required insurance may be written in one or more policies. With respect to all coverages required other than Workers' Compensation, the City shall be named an additional insured. All coverages afforded shall be primary with respect to operations provided. Kinds and amounts of insurance required are as follows:

Commercial General Liability Insurance – A Commercial General Liability Insurance Policy with combined limits of liability for bodily injury or property damage as follows:

\$ 1,000,000	Per Occurrence
\$ 1,000,000	Policy Aggregate
\$ 1,000,000	Products Liability/Completed Operations
\$ 1,000,000	Personal and Advertising Liability
\$ 50,000	Fire – Legal
\$ 5,000	Medical Payments

Said policy of insurance must include coverage for all operations performed for the City by the Contractor and contractual liability coverage shall specifically insure the hold harmless provisions of this agreement.

Automobile Liability Insurance – An automobile liability policy with liability limits in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit of liability for bodily injury, including death, and property damage in any one occurrence. Said policy of insurance must include coverage for the use of all owned, non-owned, hired automobiles, vehicles and other equipment both on and off work.

Automobile Liability Insurance for the Sunport's Airport Operations Area - An automobile liability policy with liability limits in amounts not less than \$5,000,000 combined single limit of liability for bodily injury, including death, and property damage in any one occurrence. Said policy of insurance must include coverage for the use of all owned, non-owned, hired automobiles, vehicles and other equipment both on and off work.

Workers' Compensation Insurance – Workers' Compensation Insurance for its employees in accordance with the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act of the State of New Mexico.

Increased Limits – If, during the term of this agreement, the City requires the Contractor to increase maximum limits of any insurance required herein, an appropriate adjustment in the Contractors' compensation will be made.

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS

IMPORTANT: READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SUBMITTING OFFERS, FAILURE TO DO SO SHALL NOT ABSOLVE THE OFFEROR FROM RESPONSIBILITY TO PERFORM OR DELIVER AS SPECIFIED.

- Applicability: Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Request, these General Instructions, Terms, and Conditions shall
 govern the procurement of the items specified in this Request. In the event of a conflict between these General Instructions,
 Terms, and Conditions, Supplemental Conditions or the specifications of this bid, the order of applications shall be the
 Specifications, Supplemental Conditions, and the General Instructions, Terms and Conditions. In addition, the Public
 Purchases Ordinances (Section 5-5-1 et seg. ROA 1994) and promulgated Rules and Regulations shall apply.
- Definitions: As used in this request, the definitions of the Public Purchases Ordinances (Section 5-5-2 ROA 1994) apply including the following:
 - A. "City" means the City of Albuquerque, New Mexico.
 - B. "Contract" means any agreement for the procurement of goods, services, construction or concessions. A purchase order issued in response to an offer constitutes a contract.
 - C. "Contractor" means an Offeror who has been awarded a contract.
 - D. "Offeror" means a business that submits a response to a competitive solicitation.
 - E. "Purchase Order" means a document issued by the Purchasing Office directing the Contractor to deliver goods, services or construction.
 - F. "Purchasing Office" means the Purchasing Division of the Department of Finance & Administrative Services of the City.
 - G. "Purchasing Officer" means the person charged with the responsibility of administering the Purchasing Office.
 - H. "Request" means all documents, including those attached or incorporated by reference, issued by the Purchasing Office for soliciting offers to provide goods, services, or construction.
 - I. "Responsible Offeror" means a business which has the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements set out in the competitive solicitation, and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance, and who has not violated or attempted to violate any provision of law or ethical conduct. Factors which may be considered in determining the Offeror's capability to perform, among others, are its financial resources, production or service facilities, service reputation and experience.
 - J. "Responsive Offer" means a written offer to furnish goods, services, or construction in conformity with standards, specifications, delivery terms and conditions, and all other requirements established in a competitive solicitation.

3. Preparation of Offer:

- A. Submission: All offers must be submitted on the Request for Bid Form enclosed. Failure to do so may disqualify your offer. It is the responsibility of the Offeror to submit sufficient additional information to allow for a thorough evaluation of the offer submitted
- B. Preparation Method: All information required in the Request must be typewritten or handwritten in ink and must be legible. Erasures or other changes must be initiated by the person signing the offer. Each offer must be signed on the appropriate pages by an individual authorized to bind the Offeror submitting the offer.
- C. Unit Prices: The unit prices for each item offered shall be shown unless otherwise specified. In the case of a discrepancy between the unit price and the extended price, the unit price will govern in determining the price used for evaluation.
 - Unit prices offered should be for the units specified.
- D. Delivery Time: Delivery time stated in the specifications shall apply. Deviations by the Offeror shall be stated on the Exception Form. Time, if stated in number of days, will be consecutive calendar days.
- E. Payment Terms: The Request for Bid Form provides space for the Offeror to identify the payment terms that the Offeror is offering. Terms of less than twenty (20) days will not be considered. The discount term shall not begin until the goods, services or construction have been delivered and accepted and the correct invoice received in the City's Accounts Payable Office.

Prompt payment discounts will NOT be used as a factor in determining the lowest responsive offer.

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- F. Freight Policy: Freight will be F.O.B. Destination (as indicated on the Request Form), Freight Prepaid, unless otherwise specified in this Request.
- G. Taxes: Offerors shall include any applicable gross receipts taxes in it offered price, unless specified otherwise in this request, and such offer will be construed in that manner. The City will, under appropriate circumstances, furnish a non-taxable transaction certificate. Determination of whether the tax is due and payment of the tax is the responsibility of the Offeror. Applicable taxes are to be included in each invoice due and may not be billed more than sixty (60) days after providing the services to which the taxes apply.
- H. New Material, Etc.: All materials, supplies, equipment, and vehicles specified in this Request shall be new, the latest in production and manufactured within the last twelve (12) months (computed from the date and time of offer opening) unless otherwise indicated. This does not apply to materials, supplies, equipment or vehicles used by the Contractor to provide the required items of tangible personal property, services or construction.
- I. Warranty: Materials furnished by the successful Offeror shall be accompanied by the manufacturer's written warranty against defects in quality, craftsmanship, and materials.

The Offeror agrees that the items of tangible personal property, services or construction furnished under any contract resulting from this Request shall be covered by the most favorable commercial warranties the Offeror gives to any customer for such items. Further, the Offeror agrees that the rights and remedies provided in such warranties extend to the City and are in addition to and do not limit any rights afforded to the City by any other clause of this Request. The Offeror agrees not to disclaim warranties of fitness for a particular purpose of merchantability. Warranties shall become effective at the time of acceptance.

- J. Equivalent Offers: Where a product is characteristic of a sole manufacturer, or where a brand name is indicated in the specifications, it shall be defined to mean minimum acceptable level or minimum quality required by the City unless the specifications state that no substitutes or equivalents will be allowed. If the Offeror offers an item other than the one specified, which the Offeror considers comparable, the manufacturer's name and model number of that item must be specified in the offer and sufficient performance specification and descriptive data provided to permit a thorough evaluation. Failure to provide the appropriate information may result in disqualification of the offer.
- K. Exceptions to Specifications: Offerors are to state any exceptions taken to the Request on the Specifications Exception Form. If no exceptions are stated, the Offeror is required to furnish the items exactly as specified and to comply with all other requirements of this Request.
- L. Indemnity: The Offeror to whom an award has been made as a result of this Request expressly agrees to defend, indemnify and save harmless the City and its officers, agents and employees from and against any and all claims, suits demands, actions, or proceedings of every nature and description brought because of any injury or damage received or sustained by any person, persons, or property arising out of the Offeror's providing the goods, services or construction pursuant to the offer or by reason of any act or omission, neglect or misconduct of the Offeror, the agents, employees or subcontractors of the Offeror or the agents or employees of any subcontractor of the Offeror. The indemnity required herein shall not be limited by reason of the specification of any particular insurance coverage.
- M. Patent Indemnity: It any item furnished pursuant to any contract resulting from this Request shall be covered by any patent, copyright, or application for patent or copyright, the Offeror shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the City from any and all loss, cost or expense or any all claims suits, or judgments as a result of the use of such item in violation of rights under such patent, copyright, or application for patent or copyright.
- N. Public Inspection: Each offer shall be open to public inspection, except to the extent the Offeror designates trade secrets or other proprietary data to be confidential. Material so designated shall accompany the offer and each page shall be clearly marked and readily separable from the offer in order to facilitate public inspection of the nonconfidential portion of the offer. Prices and makes and models or catalog numbers of the items offered, deliveries and terms of payment shall be publicly available at the time of the opening of the offer regardless of any designation to the contrary. The City shall endeavor to restrict distribution of the material designated as confidential to only those individuals involved in the review and analysis of the offers. Offerors are cautioned that materials designated confidential may nevertheless be subject to disclosure to any New Mexico citizen under the Inspection of Public Records Act (Sections 14-2-1 through 14-2-3 N.M.S.A 1978).
- O. Material Safety Data Sheets: To comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 1910.1200 for general standards on handling hazardous materials safety data sheets may be required for all or part of the products included on the Request. It is the responsibility of the Offeror to make this determination and, if required, a copy of the MSDS must accompany the product when delivered to the end user. Failure to comply with this requirement may cause the delivery of products to be rejected and all costs related to such action to be borne by the Offeror.
- P. License and Certifications: The Offeror must provide proof, in a manner acceptable and within the time period specified by the Purchasing Office, but prior to award, unless otherwise specified in this Request, that they are licensed and certified by the appropriate agencies as required by law to perform the services or provide the goods specified in this Request.

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- 4. <u>Debarment or Ineligibility Compliance</u>: By submitting its offer in response to this Request, the Offeror certifies that (i) it has not been debarred or otherwise found ineligible to receive funds by any agency of the federal government, the State of New Mexico, any local public body of the State, or any state of the United States, and (ii) should any notice of debarment suspension, ineligibility or exclusion be received by the Offeror, the Offeror will notify the City immediately.
- 5. Ethical Conduct: By submitting its offer in response to this Request, the Offeror certifies that:
 - A. It has not offered, given or agreed to give to any City employee or former employee, a gratuity or offer of employment to influence the preparation of or recommendation of award of this Request;
 - B. It has not retained a person to solicit or secure a City Contract for a contingent fee:
 - C. It has not taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with this Request;
 - D. It has not in any way violated the ethical conduct or other provisions of the City's Public Purchases Ordinance; and
 - E. It currently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with its performance of any contract resulting from this Request.

6. Requests for Explanations by Offerors:

- A. Requests for Explanation: Any explanation desired by the Offeror regarding the meaning or interpretation of specifications or any part of this Request must be required in writing and received in the Purchasing Office not less then ten (10) working days before the offer opening date.
- B. Responses to Requests: Oral explanations or instructions given prior to the opening of the offer shall not be binding, Any official explanations must be issued, in writing, by the Purchasing Division.

7. Addenda:

Addenda: Changes or amendments to specifications, conditions or provisions herein may be initiated ONLY through the Purchasing Office in the form of a written addendum.

Any addenda shall become a part of this Request and should be acknowledged either by being signed and returned with the offer or through letter or telegram that arrives prior to the opening of the offer.

Failure to do so may result in disqualification of the offer.

It is the responsibility of all vendors considering making an offer in response to this Request to ensure that they have received all addenda prior to making an offer. Offerors may contact the Purchasing Division to obtain information regarding any addenda issued. Failure to obtain an addendum shall not be grounds for overturning a recommendation of award.

8. Clarification of Offers:

The City may, in the evaluation of offers, request clarification from Offerors regarding their offers, obtain additional material or literature, and pursue other avenues of research as necessary to insure that a thorough evaluation is conducted.

9. Submissions of Offer:

- A. Time: Offers not received by the time and date indicated on the Request will not be accepted.
- B. Hand Carried: Offers may be hand carried to the City Clerk's Office on the eleventh (11th) floor of the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Government Center, 1 Civic Plaza, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- C. Mailed: Offers may be mailed to the Attention of the City Clerk, City of Albuquerque, P.O. Box 1293, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87103. The City shall not be responsible for offers that are mailed and not received by the opening date and time specified in the solicitation.

Note: The City picks up mail at the post office once every morning at 7:00 AM (local time). ALL SEALED BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK BY EXACTLY 1:30 PM, LOCAL TIME AS RECORDED IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

- D. Receipts: Receipts for hand delivered offers shall be issued by the City Clerk's Office (upon request) for offers which are hand carried.
- E. Envelope Preparation: The envelope / package containing an offer must be sealed and the following identifying information legibly written or typed on the outside:

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- 1) Name of Offeror
- 2) Request Number assigned by the City to the Request
- 3) Opening date as identified on the Request or subsequent addenda
- F. No Other Methods of Offer Delivery: Neither telephone, telegraphic, or facsimile Offer shall be accepted.

10. Civil Rights Compliance:

Offeror certifies and agrees, by submittal of its offer, to comply and act in accordance with all provisions of the Albuquerque Human Rights Ordinance, the New Mexico Human Rights Act, Title VII of the U.S. Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and all federal statutes and executive orders, New Mexico statutes and City of Albuquerque ordinances relating to the enforcement of civil rights.

Offeror additionally certifies and agrees to abide by and cooperate in the implementation of the policies and practices set forth in the City's Affirmative Action Plan.

Questions regarding civic rights or affirmative action compliance requirements should be directed to the City of Albuquerque Human Rights Division, Community Services Department.

11. Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance:

Offeror certifies and agrees, by submittal of its offer, to comply and act in accordance with all applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Federal regulations promulgated thereunder.

12. Withdrawal of Offers:

An offer may be withdrawn in person at any time BEFORE the scheduled opening of offers, provided a receipt for the withdrawn offer is signed by the Offeror or the Offeror's authorized representative. The City reserves the right to request proof of authorization to withdraw an offer.

13. Opening of Offers:

Time and Place: Offers will be opened by the City Clerk at the time and place identified in this Request. Openings are open to the public. Offerors are encouraged to attend.

14. Disqualification of Offer:

- A. Any offer received from an Offeror that is, at the time of submitting its offer or prior to receipt of award of a contract, debarred by or otherwise ineligible to receive funds from any agency of the federal government, the State of New Mexico, any local public body of the State, or any state of the United States, shall be rejected.
- B. In addition, the City reserves the right to reject an offer for, including but not limited to, any one or more of the following circumstances:
- C. In the past the Offeror has failed to comply with previous contractual commitments or offers to the City.
- D. In the opinion of the City, the offered prices are higher than the prices for which the specified items or services can be purchased on the open market.
- E. The Offeror failed to properly fill in any space on the Request Form and attached documents where information or a signature is required.
- F. The Offeror did not, at the time the offer is made, have an appropriate New Mexico Contractor's License or Certification when one is required by law, regulation or this Request.
- G. The Offeror failed to submit with their offer, bid bonds or other material requirements of the Request or has otherwise submitted a non-responsive offer.
- H. There are unauthorized additions, conditions, alternate proposals or other irregularities of any kind which might make the offer incomplete, indefinite or ambiguous in meaning.
- Offer was not submitted in ink or typewritten or there is any erasure or alternation of words or figures relating to pricing which is not initialed in ink by the Offeror.
- J. The City determines that an offer contains any misrepresentations whatsoever.

15. Rejection/ Cancellation of Offers:

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Any solicitation, prior to opening or after opening, may be cancelled or any or all offers may be rejected in whole or in part when it is in the best interest of the City.

16. Minor or Technical Irregularities:

Minor or technical irregularities in an offer, when there is no effect on price, quality or quantity may be waived and clerical errors in an offer may be corrected, if permitted by the Purchasing Officer and are in the best interest of the City.

17. Nonconforming/ Conditional, or Counter Offers:

An offer which is nonconforming or conditional, whether in part or in whole, will be rejected.

18. Offer Analysis:

The City reserves the right to analyze, examine and interpret any offer for a minimum period of ninety (90) consecutive calendar days, after the scheduled time for the opening of offers. Offers may not be rescinded during this period except for good cause and with the written approval of the Purchasing Officer. In those situations where the analysis / evaluation exceeds the ninety (90) calendar days, Offerors may withdraw their offers from consideration.

19. Award of Contract:

- A. When Award Occurs: The award of a contract occurs when a Purchase Order is issued or other evidence of acceptance by the City is provided to the Offeror. A Recommendation of Award does not constitute award of contract.
- B. Award: If a contract is awarded, it shall be awarded to the responsive and responsible Offeror whose offer is lowest in total price and is the most advantageous to the City, specifications and other factors considered.
- C. Basis of Award: The City reserves the right to award a contract based on this Request in total or by group of items, on the basis of individual items, or any combination of these, which in the judgment of the Purchasing Officer, best services the interests of the City, unless otherwise stated in this Request.
- D. Increase of Quantities: The City reserves the right to increase the quantities of items of tangible personal property, services or construction to be provided within a twelve (12) month period, under the terms of the Contract, at the same prices, with the consent of the Contractor.
- E. Decrease of Quantities: The City reserves the right to decrease the quantities of items of tangible personal property, services or construction to be provided under the terms of the Contract. However, the Contractor shall be offered an opportunity to cancel the portion of the Contract affected by such a decrease if the Contractor is not able to meet the contracted prices by delivering the decreased amount. This clause shall not have effect if the Contract was originally awarded based on estimated quantities.
- F. Contract Changes: In no case shall a contract be changed without the prior written approval of the Purchasing Officer.
- G. Debarment / Cancellation of Contract: Upon receipt of notice of debarment of an Offeror awarded a contract as a result of this Request for Bids (the "Contractor"), or other ineligibility of the Contractor to receive funds from any agency of the federal government, the State of New Mexico, any local public body of the State, or any state of the United States, the City shall have the right to cancel the contract with the Contractor for cause as provided in Section 25 below.
- H. Local and Resident Preferences: A five percent (5%) Preference may be afforded an Offeror who qualifies in accordance with the City's Public Purchases Ordinance. If no offers are received which qualify for a Local Preference, a 5% Resident Business Preference may be afforded an Offeror who has been certified by the State of New Mexico Purchasing Division, in compliance with State laws.

Information regarding the Public Purchases Ordinance and the application of the Local or Resident preference can be obtained by contacting the Purchasing Division at (505) 768-3344.

For consideration for the Local Preference the Offeror must complete the Local Preference Certification Form in accordance with the form instructions and return the Local Preference Certification Form with its offer.

To qualify for the Resident Preference, the Offeror must provide its assigned Resident Certification Number with its offer (an appropriate place is designated in the Request). If an Offeror does not provide its assigned Resident Certification Number with its offer, the offer shall not be considered as made by a resident business and no preference shall be applied during the analysis of that offer.

NOTE: Your State Tax Number is NOT your Resident Certification Number.

20. Goods Produced Under Decent Working Conditions:

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It is the policy of the City not to purchase, lease, or rent goods, for use or for resale at City-owned enterprises that were produced under sweatshop conditions. The Offeror certifies, by submittal of its offer in response to this solicitation, that the goods offered to the City were produced under decent working conditions. The City defines under decent working conditions as production in a factory in which child labor and forced labor are not employed; in which adequate wages and benefits are paid to workers; in which workers are not required to work more than 48 hours per week (or less if a shorter workweek applies); in which employees are free from physical, sexual or verbal harassment, and in which employees can speak freely about working conditions and can participate in and form unions. [Council Bill NO. M-8 Enactment No. 9-1998]

21. Protest Process:

- A. Request Documents: Protests concerning the specifications of this Request or other matters relating to the solicitation documents must be received by the Purchasing Officer no later than ten days prior to the deadline set for the receipts of offers.
- B. Recommendation of Award: Protests concerning other matters relating to this Request must be filed with the Purchasing Officer not later than 5:00 p.m. of the date stipulated in the Recommendation of Award.
- C. Timely Protests: Protests must be received by the Purchasing Officer prior to the appropriate deadline as set out in A. and B. of this Section or they will not be considered valid. The Purchasing Officer may waive the deadline for good cause, including a delay caused by the fault of the City. Late delivery by the U.S. Postal Service or other carrier shall not be considered good cause.
- D. Required Information from Offeror: All protests must be submitted in written form and must be legible. Facsimile, telephone or telegraphic protests will not be accepted. Protests shall contain at a minimum the following:
 - 1) Name and address of the protesting party
 - 2) The solicitation / Request Number
 - 3) A clear statement of the reason(s) for the protest
 - 4) Details concerning the facts which support the protest
 - 5) Attachments of any written evidence to substantiate the claims of the protest
 - 6) Statement specifying the ruling requested
- E. Protest Hearing: If a hearing is requested, the request must be included in the protest and received within the time limit to be allowed. The filing fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) must accompany the request for hearing. The grant of a hearing shall be at the discretion of the Purchasing Officer following review of the protest.
- F. Delivery of Protest: Protests may be hand-delivered. Protests which are mailed should be addressed as follows:

Purchasing Officer City of Albuquerque Purchasing Division P.O. Box 1293 Albuquerque, NM 87103

Envelope should also clearly indicate "PROTEST" and the solicitation number.

G. Purchasing Officer Action: The Purchasing Officer will, after evaluation of a protest, issue a response. Only issues outlined in the written protest will be considered by the Purchasing Officer or may be raised at a protest hearing.

22. Delivery, Acceptance and Guarantee:

- A. No Delivery Before Purchase Order is Issued; No Offeror, including the Offeror to whom an award is made shall deliver any item of tangible personal property, commence services or construction prior to the issuance of a Purchase Order or Notice to Proceed issued by the City Purchasing Division.
- B. Cancellation for Non-Delivery: The City reserves the right to cancel any order not delivered by a guaranteed date stipulated in any contract resulting from this Request without liability on the City's part.
- C. Acceptance of Delivery: Acceptance by the City of any delivery shall not relieve the Contractor of any guarantee or warranty, expressed or implied. Such acceptance of delivery shall not be considered an acceptance of services or materials not in accordance with the specifications. Such acceptance of delivery shall not waive the City's right to require replacement of defective material or inadequate service.

23. Inspections:

Prior to Acceptance of Delivery: All items of tangible personal property, services or construction found inferior to the quality specified in the Request, deficient or incorrect in weight, measurement, workmanship, handicraft or otherwise, may be rejected

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as a whole or in part and then shall be removed by the Contractor at the Contractor's own risk and expense promptly after notice of rejection. The Contractor shall assume responsibility for taking the necessary action to correct or replace the rejected items, within the time frame specified in the notice of rejection.

24. Invoices and Payments:

The Contractor shall submit an accurate invoice, in duplicate, for each purchase. Invoices shall refer to the Purchase Order Number, the Release Form Number if applicable, and shall be itemized unless otherwise specified in this Request. Invoices are to be mailed to: Accounting Division (Accounts Payable), City of Albuquerque, P.O. Box 1985, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. Invoices mailed or provided to any other entity will result in a delay in making payment. Offerors are encouraged to inquire if payments due are not received within thirty (30) days after delivery of goods/services and submittal of invoice by contacting the Accounting Division at (505) 768-3400.

25. Default/Termination for Cause:

If, through any cause, the Contractor fails to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under any contract resulting from this Request in a timely and proper manner, or if the Contractor, violates any of the covenants, agreements or stipulations of such contract, the City shall notify the Contractor of such violations in writing and allow the Contractor a reasonable time, set out in the notice, to correct the default. If the default is not corrected within the specified time period the City shall have the right to cancel the contract and any or all other current contracts with the Contractor, and, if applicable, to purchase the required goods or services from another source or sources. The City shall provide written notice to the Contractor specifying the effective date of cancellation. The notice of cancellation may be contained in the notice of default.

If a contract resulting from this Request is cancelled, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the City for damages caused by its breach of the contract. The City reserves the right to recover such damages, including but not limited to any excess cost incurred in having to purchase contract goods/services from other sources by a deduction from an unpaid balance due to the Contractor, collection against a performance or labor and materials payment bond, a combination of these remedies, or any other legal method available. In addition, the Contractor may be removed from the Purchasing Office Vendor List or determined to be ineligible to respond to future solicitations, as being not responsible.

26. Termination for the Convenience of the City:

The City may terminate any contract resulting from this Request at any time by giving at least thirty (30) days notice in writing of such termination to the Contractor. In such event, the Contractor shall be paid under the terms of the contract for all goods/services provided to and accepted by the City, if ordered or accepted by the City prior to the effective date of termination

27. Termination for Lack of Appropriations:

Funding for the contract resulting from this Request has been appropriated by the City Council for the City's current fiscal year. Notwithstanding any other provisions in the contract resulting from this Request, its continuation beyond the end of the/ any fiscal year is contingent on the City Council making the appropriations necessary to fund the contract. If sufficient appropriations are not made the contract may be terminated at the end of the City's then current fiscal year upon written notice given by the City to the Contractor. Such termination shall not constitute a default. All payment obligations of the City and all of its interest in the contract will cease upon date of termination. The City's decision as to whether sufficient appropriations are available shall be accepted by the Contractor and shall be final.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR LOCAL PREFERENCE CERTIFICATION FORM

- 1. **ALL INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED**. A 5% local preference is available for this procurement. To qualify for this preference, an Offeror MUST complete and submit this Form with its offer. If an offer is received without the Form attached, completed, signed and certified, or if the Form is received without the required information, the preference will not be applied. The form or a corrected form will not be accepted after the deadline for receipt of bids or proposals.
- LOCAL PREFERENCE PRECEDENCE OVER STATE PREFERENCE. The local preference takes precedence over the State
 Resident Business Preference and only one of the two preferences will be applied to any one offer. If it is determined that the
 local preference applies to one or more Offerors in any solicitation, the State Resident Business Preference will not be applied
 to any offers.
- 3. **PHYSICAL LOCATION MUST BE STATED**. To qualify for the local preference, a business must have a location in the Albuquerque Metropolitan Area (Abq. Metro Area). The business location inserted on the form must be a physical location, street address or such. Do not use a post office box or other postal address.
- 4. **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.** To qualify for this preference, the principal Offeror (i.e. the business, not the individual signing the form) if it is a corporation, must be a New Mexico corporation with its articles of incorporation filed with the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission.
- 5. **DEFINITIONS**. The following definitions apply to this preference:
 - The Abq. Metro Area includes all locations within the City of Albuquerque and Bernalillo County, and within any
 municipality (i.e. incorporated city, town or village) contiguous to the City of Albuquerque and Bernalillo County.
 - A resident of the Abq. Metro Area is a person who occupies a dwelling in the Area and who manifests an intent to maintain that dwelling on a permanent basis.
 - A principal Offeror is a single Offeror, a business which is the prime contractor or one of the prime contractors and not a subcontractor, or a partner or joint venturer submitting an offer if conjunction with other businesses.
- 6. **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION**. If requested, a business will be required to provide, within 10 working days of the request, documentation to substantiate the information provided on the form.

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LOCAL PREFERENCE CERTIFICATION FORM

	RFP/RFB NO:		
Business	Name:		
	Business Location (in Abq. Metro Area):		
Business	Type: SELECT ONE		
	Corporation – Indicate state of corporation	→ <u>-</u>	
	Partnership – Indicate "general" or "limited"	→ _	
	Sole Proprietorship (Single Owner with employe	es)	
	Individual (Single Owner/No employees)	→ <u>-</u>	
	Other – Indicate status	→	
	I Information: (PROVIDE IF BUSIcorporation in the State of New Mexico		DRATION)
	CERTIFIC	ATIONS	
Offerors jo have provi and, if requ	ertify that the business set out above is the princip intly submitting this offer (e.g. as a partnership, jo ded on this form is true and correct, that I am auth uested by the City, will provide, within 10 days of a provided on this form.	int venture). I here norized to sign on b	by certify that the information which I ehalf of the business set out above
	Signature or Authorized Individual:		
	Printed Name:		
	Title:		
	Date:		

YOU MUST RETURN THIS FORM $\underline{\text{WITH}}$ YOUR OFFER

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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE Purchasing Division

OFFEROR COMMENTS FORM

	Request Number			
It is re	It is requested that Offerors provide any additional information relating to their offer that will assist in the evaluation of such without having to ferret out information concerning the goods and services you intend to provide.			
Inforr	mation pertains to the following (please check applicable box)			
	Equivalent Product			
	Clarification			
	Exception(s) to Requirements			
	General or Miscellaneous Comments			
If add	ditional space is required, please use reverse side of the form or attach additional document(s).			
	Name of Offeror Signature Date (Authorized Representative)			